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Chapter I
Matters calling for action by the Economic and Social Council or brought to its attention

B. Matters brought to the attention of the Council

Recommendations of the Permanent Forum

Post-2015 development agenda

1. We acknowledge the rich presentation of speakers and active participation of States, United Nations agencies and indigenous peoples, and others in the high-level stocktaking event convened by the President of the General Assembly on the post-2015 development agenda in September 2014. We take note of the serious concerns raised by indigenous peoples over the lack of explicit reference and inclusion of indigenous peoples as distinct groups with collective rights in the ongoing development of the goals and targets of the development agenda. The Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues reaffirms the need to ensure that the post-2015 development agenda be fully aligned with the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples as well as international human rights obligations and commitments of States.

2. The Permanent Forum requests that States incorporate commitments made in the outcome document of the World Conference on Indigenous Peoples in the current development of the post-2015 development agenda, especially the action points on data disaggregation, land rights, the implementation of free, prior and informed consent and access to justice presented by indigenous speakers in the thematic panels during the high-level stocktaking event of the General Assembly on the post-2015 development agenda, and reaffirm their commitments to indigenous peoples in the political declaration with the following paragraph:

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We affirm that indigenous peoples have the right to determine and develop priorities and strategies for exercising their right to development, based on their security, of their lands, territories and resources. We commit ourselves to ensuring equal access to high-quality education that recognizes the diversity of the cultures of indigenous peoples, and to health, housing, water, sanitation and other economic and social programmes to improve their well-being, including through initiatives, policies and the provision of resources. We intend to empower indigenous peoples, including women, to deliver such programmes and commit ourselves to working with indigenous peoples to disaggregate data on indigenous peoples' development and well-being.

3. The Permanent Forum recommends that the Inter-agency and Expert Group on Sustainable Development Goal Indicators and the United Nations Statistical Commission actively engage with indigenous peoples in developing key indicators relating to indigenous peoples' rights to their lands, territories and resources, free, prior and informed consent, empowerment of indigenous women, access to justice and special measures addressing the particular circumstances of indigenous peoples regarding relevant health, education and socioeconomic development targets of the 17 goals.